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Hello Alumni!

Some 2,100 of you former Chowanians will receive this issue of THE CHOWANIAN. We have tried to include much that has happened during the past year at your Alma Mater to bring you up to date.

It is no doubt impossible for some of you to get away from work, home and family to come to Murfreesboro even to attend the Annual Alumni Association Meeting. So we are glad that through the pages of THE CHOWANIAN you can learn through words and pictures of the tremendous advances being made at Chowan.

It is the hope and desire of the administration, faculty, and staff at Chowan that the 1964 Annual Meeting of the Chowan College Alumni Association will be the best attended in many years. There are so many reasons why, you as an alumnus, will want to attend. Elsewhere in this edition you will read about the new buildings, driveway, parking areas and other improvements that have been made. Certainly you will want to inspect the dormitories, the magnificent new classroom building, and see all of the NEW Chowan.

So, why not start planning now so that your vacation will fall around Saturday, May 2, 1964? Plan to bring others with you — wife, children, girl friend or boy friend, parents, and others.

You will be glad that you did.

The Coming Year

Webster says that a YEAR is a length of 365 days and that NEW means "the beginning or appearing as the recurrence, resumption, or repetition of some previous act or thing." Although these are the general meanings of the words, a new meaning seems to appear when they are linked together.

A NEW YEAR usually means many different things to each individual. To the small child, it may mean another birthday and maybe even a new toy. To the teenager, it may mean another year of school has passed and they are nearing the point of maturity. To the young married couple, the NEW YEAR may mean a son or daughter in which to share their love. To the older generation, it may mean the passing of a loved one and maybe the year in which they can rest and watch the rest of the world go by.

At the beginning of this NEW YEAR, one should look back over the past year and try to improve himself as best he can. No matter how well one projects himself, an improvement can be made. As many cartoons show the NEW YEAR as a small child, one should also start a NEW YEAR as a child: Eager to give up bad habits and even more eager to learn good ones.

We, as college students, should look upon the NEW YEAR with anticipation and enthusiasm, for it promises to hold many new experiences for us. As young adults, we should adapt ourselves to the events we will surely encounter.

We should consider the NEW YEAR as another chance to improve ourselves mentally, physically, and spiritually as well.

At this point in our lives, our school and its subjects and activities seem to be our major concern. This is as it should be. However, let us not forget our lives in general. We should feel as close to God as we do our favorite teacher and be able to talk to him as easily.

Yes, this is a NEW YEAR we have entered and it promises to be an exciting one. We shall miss old friends, but meet new ones. For many, this year will mean their final year here at Chowan, and this brings a thought of regret. But for many more it means a start at something completely new; of experiences they will never forget, and of acquaintances they will remember for the rest of their lives.

Here at Chowan, a NEW YEAR is a happy beginning, and this year should be the happiest.

—Gloria Dean Barnes



MISS SUSIE HARPOLD

Chowanian of the Month

Selected by the Editors of The Chowanian

Miss Susie Harpold of Virginia Beach, Virginia has been elected the most outstanding student of the month at Chowan College.

She attended Princess Anne High School where she was president of the Theta-Tri-Hi-Y. She was voted most outstanding Tri-Hi-Y member in Norfolk for 1962. She was also vice president of the Keyette Club.

At Chowan College Susie was State Student Legislature delegate her freshman year. During her sophomore year she is editor of the CHOWANOKA. As a freshman, she was the Lusiness Manager.

Susie is Secretary-Treasurer of the Student Government this year. She was also elected as Sweetheart of Dorm "B". She is a member of Cxix Memorial Methodist Church in Philippi, West Virginia.

As for her future, she plans to work for a plastic surgeon or obstetrician.

The staff and students congratulate Susie as being the Chowanian of the Month!

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—Charles Stevens

Gift Bespeaks Broad Need

"I hope, also, that this gift will encourage other potential donors to help meet the needs of this growing institution of Christian higher education."

So concluded Mrs. Texie Camp Marks' statement released with the announcement of her gift of over \$200,000 to Chowan College. If Mrs. Marks, a Boykins, Virginia, resident had wondered whether her gift would be an inspiration to others, she ought to cease this wondering. There ought not to be doubt in any minds about the inspirational qualities of this and other gifts Mrs. Marks and her late husband have made to the Roanoke-Chowan's home-born college, Chowan.

When referring to Chowan it used to be possible to say "home grown." Home born it was, but home grown it is no longer. Chowan has in its influence, in its needs, in its respect out-grown the bounds of the Roanoke-Chowan which earlier was almost its sole sustenance. This further gift by Mrs. Marks is but another indication of the fact of Chowan's growth. Mrs. Marks lives outside the bounds of the R-C in fact outside the state as does a large percentage of Chowan's student body. Chowan must be nurtured by sources outside our area if it is to continue to grow just as it must draw students from outside if its intellectual atmosphere is not to be stifling from lack of variety.

This need for outside support, such as that of the Marks family, will grow as Chowan continues to grow. And grow it will. The recent Baptist State Convention authorized Chowan to borrow up to a million dollars for new construction. Plans are already going ahead on how this new financing will be used. Included are a new 200-woman dormitory, an addition to double the present cafeteria with student store facilities in the addition's basement and nearly a quarter million dollars toward a new library. Another 200 women students will put the school's enrollment well over 1,000.

A growing college needs support such as Mrs. Marks' gift. It follows equally that support such as this and such as having a sizeable student population from across the state line needs some recognition beyond that of praise. Specifically it would seem justifiable to have this support represented on the college board of trustees.

In putting off the squabble over new representation on the Wake Forest College board of trustees, the Baptist convention appointed a committee to study the matter for a year. The committee was also instructed to look into trustee selection policy at other Baptist institutions in the state, Chowan being mentioned specifically. I would be well for this group to look into representation from Virginia on the Chowan board.

Mrs. Marks says she hopes others will be inspired to give to Chowan by her action. We hope so too. We think it would further encourage gifts, particularly from institutions and organizations, if the board of the R-C's home born college is broadened to recognize the fact that it is no longer entirely home grown.

—Windsor Ledger-Advance

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